

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
SENATE BILL 1323

By: Easley

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[ Grand River Dam Authority Lakes Advisory Commission  
- modifying membership -

emergency ]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2001, Section 4230.1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4230.1 A. There is hereby created the Grand River Dam Authority Lakes Advisory Commission. The purpose of the Commission is to provide a forum for interested persons to address issues related to the environmental concerns, recreational use, and economic development of the lakes under the administration of the Grand River Dam Authority on behalf of all lake enthusiasts, property owners and business persons who use, live or work on or around the lakes.

B. 1. The Commission shall consist of ~~nineteen (19)~~ twenty-one (21) as follows:

- a. the General Manager of the Grand River Dam Authority,
- b. the Executive Director of the Oklahoma ~~Department of~~ Tourism and Recreation Department, or designee,
- c. the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, or designee,
- d. the Executive Director of the Department of Environmental Quality, or designee,

- e. two members appointed by the Grove Chamber of Commerce,
- f. two members appointed by the Jay Chamber of Commerce,
- g. two members appointed by the South Grand Lake Chamber of Commerce,
- h. two members appointed by the Miami Chamber of Commerce,
- i. two members appointed by the Lake Hudson Association,
- j. two members appointed by the Grand Lake Association,  
~~and~~
- k. three members appointed by the Grand Gateway Economic Development Association, one each to represent law enforcement agencies, municipal government and county government, and
- l. two members one each appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives who shall be residential property owners within the district.

2. No member of the Commission shall be a member of the Oklahoma State Legislature.

C. Members of the Commission shall serve for a term of four (4) years. Members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority and may be removed by a majority vote of the governing board of their appointing authority. Any vacancy in the appointive membership of the Commission shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.

D. At the first meeting of the Commission a chair and vice-chair shall be elected from among the membership to serve a term of one (1) year. The Chair shall be authorized to appoint other officers and committees as the Chair deems necessary.

E. The first meeting of the Commission shall be called by the General Manager of the Grand River Dam Authority. Members of the

Commission shall be appointed by their respective appointing authorities no later than thirty (30) days following the enactment of this act. Future meetings and their locations shall be set by majority vote of the Commission. Staff support for the Commission shall be provided by the Grand River Dam Authority.

F. The Grand River Dam Authority Lakes Advisory Commission may make recommendations regarding changes in Oklahoma statutes and agency rules as they deem necessary by a majority vote of the Commission's membership. The Commission may file reports with the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Grand River Dam Authority and the Department of Public Safety Lake Patrol Division as deemed necessary by the Commission.

G. The Commission shall submit a list of three persons who shall have a demonstrated capability in business, finance or professional fields, to the Governor for selection to the Board of Directors of the Grand River Dam Authority pursuant to Section ~~863~~ 863A of Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2001, Section 1452, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1452. The Oklahoma Legislature finds that some of the free-flowing streams and rivers of Oklahoma possess such unique natural scenic beauty, water conservation, fish, wildlife and outdoor recreational values of present and future benefit to the people of the state that it is the policy of the Legislature to preserve these areas for the benefit of the people of Oklahoma. For this purpose there are hereby designated certain "scenic river areas" to be preserved as a part of Oklahoma's diminishing resource of free-flowing rivers and streams.

B. The areas of the state designated as "scenic river areas" shall include:

1. The Flint Creek and the Illinois River above the confluence of the Barren Fork Creek in Cherokee, Adair and Delaware Counties;

2. The Barren Fork Creek in Adair and Cherokee Counties from the present alignment of Highway 59 West to the Illinois River;

3. The Upper Mountain Fork River above the 600-foot elevation level of Broken Bow Reservoir in McCurtain and LeFlore Counties;

4. Big Lee's Creek, sometimes referred to as Lee Creek, located in Sequoyah County, above the 420-foot MSL elevation, excluding that portion necessary for a dam to be built in the State of Arkansas with a crest elevation of no more than the 420-foot MSL elevation. The Oklahoma Water Resources Board shall make such classifications, designations or adjustments to Oklahoma's water quality standards as required to allow the impoundment of water by said dam; ~~and~~

5. Little Lee's Creek, sometimes referred to as Little Lee Creek, located in Adair and Sequoyah Counties, beginning approximately four (4) miles east-southeast of Stilwell, Oklahoma, and ending at its conjunction with Big Lee's Creek approximately two (2) miles southwest of Short, Oklahoma; and

6. Honey Creek in Delaware County from the state line to the Grand Lake O' The Cherokees at the 739 foot elevation level.

C. The term "scenic river area" as used in this act is defined as the stream or river and the public use and access areas located within the area designated.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.